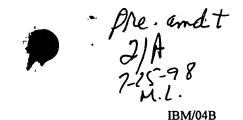


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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## **Amendments**

## In the Title

Please amend the title to read -- PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR OPTIMIZING THE PERFORMANCE OF COMPUTER TASKS USING INTELLIGENT AGENT WITH MULTIPLE PROGRAM MODULES HAVING VARIED DEGREES OF DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE--.

At page 1, line 6, please insert the paragraph:

La This application is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 08/822,993, filed on March 21, 1997 by Bigus et al., entitled "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR OPTIMIZING THE PERFORMANCE OF COMPUTER TASKS USING INTELLIGENT AGENT WITH MULTIPLE PROGRAM MODULES HAVING VARIED DEGREES OF DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE", which application is incorporated by reference herein.

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